

Meeting of the Richmond Cemetery Commission Trustees
16 June 2021

Attendees:

Jerry Merrifield, Jerry Mills, Hugh Van Brocklin, John Lewis, and Larry Richardson

The meeting was held at Veterans Hall at 9:30 am.

The minutes from the meeting on May 16, 2021 were reviewed; a motion was made to accept them without revision.

The Treasurer's Report was reviewed. The new brush hog and mower were discussed and after Town reimbursement the balance ^{in the cemetery} would remain \$2,890.18. The report was accepted pending reimbursement.

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New Business: Burials for Dana Taylor at the ~~South~~ Cemetery and Diane Meatty at the Old Town Hall Cemetery were discussed. Jerry and Hugh had also received enquiries from a Town resident concerning the burial of the resident's father. The Trustees reviewed the Richmond Cemetery fees from 2016 and made numerous changes raising the fees. A discussion of corner markers and a call to Keene Monument included raising the fees for each "residential" burial plot from \$50.00 to \$125.00 (maximum of 3 lots) and corner marker cost from \$165.00 to \$200.00. Non resident burials were raised from \$665.00 (\$500.00 for lot and \$165.00 for corner markers) to \$700.00 for both. Hugh will be listed as the Sexton on the new fee schedule and the Input Form will be updated as well as the fees.

Hugh submitted bills for maintenance and mileage.

The Trustees discussed the various Trust funds that have been established with the Town for the cemeteries and the possibility of accessing some of those monies in reviewing all of this with the Selectmen. Also discussed were: directories for the Quaker and South cemeteries and whether they could be completed by 7/4/2021; help from volunteer firemen trainees and boy scouts from Royalston, Massachusetts in removing brush and other cemetery maintenance; paint scraping and Jerry Mill's almost completed Aldrich Cemetery sign.

A motion was made and seconded to close the meeting at 10:53 am.

Larry Richardson, Secretary